# Lucy E Delaney

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#### Interests

Conceptual understanding of evolutionary principles, evolution-centered teaching, educational & racial equity,  $\mathbf{Q}$  for undergraduate education, macroevolution, the evolution of plant breeding systems

#### **EDUCATION**

# Ph.D candidate, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

Expected 2022

University of Illinois at Chicago

Chicago, IL

Dissertation: The Nature of Adaptation and the Epistemology of Natural Selection

# M.A., Molecular & Cellular Biology

2016

Hunter College of the City University of New York

New York, NY

# B.S., Forensic Molecular Biology, Philosophy

2012

John Jay College of the City University of New York

New York, NY

### Skills

R programming language

Adobe Illustrator

(A) Technician radio license

University Teaching

HTML and CSS

Markdown

■ Microsoft Office Suite

Fall 2019–Summer 2020

Sophomore-level course focusing on Mendelian inheritance patterns and molecular mechanisms of inheritance. Helped managed transition from in-person to online delivery. Responsible for teaching discussion section, creating digital course materials & exams, grading, drop-in hours, and Blackboard administration.  $\mathfrak{S}$ 

# BIOS 331 General Ecology Laboratory

BIOS 220 Mendelian and Molecular Genetics

Summer 2019

Application of ecological and evolutionary concepts with hands-on experiments and field trips to local natural areas. Responsible for weekly laboratory instruction, drop-in hours, and grading.

### BIOS 230 Ecology and Evolution

Spring 2019

Sophomore-level course with emphasis on basic ecological systems, ecosystem dynamics, and evolutionary principles. Responsible for weekly office hours, assignment creation, and grading.

#### BIOS 430 Evolution

 $Fall\ 2017\text{--}Fall\ 2018$ 

Upper-division, programming-focused course on evolutionary theory and principles. Responsible for weekly drop-in hours & debugging, quiz materials, and grading of  $\mathbf{Q}$  programming assignments.

# BIOS 120 Biology of Populations and Communities

2016 - 2017

Introductory biology laboratory course with emphasis on ecological and evolutionary principles. Responsible for twice-weekly laboratory instruction, drop-in hours, and grading.

# Course Builder & Trainer UIC Biological Sciences Department

2020-Present

Trained in online instructional design & pedagogy, and software relevant to online teaching & learning. Assisting Biological Sciences Department faculty members in transitioning their courses online, and managing technical aspects of courses throughout online delivery. Creator and maintainer of the UIC Course Builder Website.

# **Tutor** Nurturing Wisdom Tutoring

2018-2020

Highly-rated individual tutoring for grades 7-12 in test preparation (SAT and high school entrance exams), science, mathematics, and writing.

# Substitute Teacher Chicago-area Charter Schools

2015-2016

Substitute teacher for elementary, middle, and high school classes.

## TEACHING HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2020 Nominated for the UIC Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching and Mentoring Award
- 2020 Recipient of the Biological Sciences Department Graduate Teaching Award for BIOS 220
- 2018 Recipient of the Biological Sciences Department Graduate Teaching Award for BIOS 430

### PAST AND UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

# Flowering Plant Breeding Systems

July 2018 Annual Meeting of the Botanical Society of America | Poster Delaney, Lucy E, Ramanauskas, K., & Igić, B. Breeding Systems in the Legumes. Rochester, MN

**August 2017** microMORPH Summer Course | Talk Delaney, Lucy E. *Evolutionary Consequences of Plant Mating Systems*. 

△ Arnold Arboretum, Harvard

# Evolution Education Research

March 2021 (*upcoming*) Midwest Ecology and Evolution Conference | Talk Delaney, Lucy E. *The Four Causes of Adaptation*.

Online

**January 2021** Society for the Advancement of Biology Education Research West | Talk Delaney, Lucy E. *The Four Causes of Adaptation*. 

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Online

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**Delaney, Lucy E.** (2012). Nietzsche, nerve stimulation-image connection, and ontology. *John Jay's Finest*, 27, 99–103.

#### In preparation

**Delaney, Lucy E**, Ramanauskas, K., & Igić, B. Breeding systems in the legumes: What do we know? **Delaney, Lucy E**, Ramanauskas, K., & Igić, B. Breeding systems in the orchids.

- 2020 Participant in the 2020 Chicago 🗬 Collaborative Conference 🔗
- 2018 Recipient of the Biological Sciences Department Travel Award
- 2018 Reviewer for International Journal of Botany, Oxford Bibliographies
- 2017 Accepted to NSF-funded workshop on Bayesian Analysis of Macroevolutionary Mixtures &
- 2017 Recipient of the Biological Sciences Department Travel Award
- 2017 Accepted to microMORPH Plant Anatomy Summer Course at Harvard University &
- 2016 General horticulture volunteer at Garfield Park Conservatory 🔗

#### Professional Experience

Forensic Molecular Biologist at NYC Office of Chief Medical Examiner 2012–2015 Examined evidence for the presence of biological fluids, performed serological & DNA analysis techniques, analyzed data & performed statistical analyses, wrote reports, and provided expert scientific testimony in court.

#### Health Research Intern at NYC Department of Health

2011-2012

Accepted to the Health Research Training Program for a year-long internship with the Bureau of Environmental Disease Prevention. Received training in disease epidemiology, emergency preparedness & response, public health and outreach programs in environmental disease control & prevention, and emerging viral infections.

Field Manager & Administrative Assistant at Working Families Party 2008-2011 Responsible for payroll, managing employees' healthcare coverage, bank deposits, and data entry. Organized informational events for the public, and served as Field Manager for multiple election and fundraising campaigns.